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Katie Williams, a fluffy, pretty little blonde of nineteen years, lives with her widowed mother who keeps a bakery shop at the corner of Pearl Ave. and Hawthorne. Katie's brother, "Jockey" Williams, runs a cigar store down on Telegraph Ave. and becomes the promoter of a young, new giant, Marcel Legrand, the new star of the pugilistic ring.

Joe Hanrahan, officer of the law on night duty, cherishes the hope of fulfilling the unwritten code of the police department and obtaining the lodestar of life: Doing the "High and Handsome" in his duty to the last breath!

At 6:30 in the morning, as Joe rounds a corner of his beat, he comes upon beauty in distress in the person of Katie Williams. Katie wears a pink wrapper, bedroom slippers and boudoir cap, and finally conveys to the handsome cop that her black Persian cat, Iris, daughter of Pasha Sedate, champion sire of the Pacific Coast, is perched on the cross-bars of the telegraph pole and must have been there all night and that she cannot possibly get her down; besides there are bull dogs across the street and Iris is afraid of them.

Joe after some difficulties and reluctantly discarding the dignity of his position, climbs the pole and endeavors to bring the precious cat to the ground, but Iris doesn't like the idea of being carried down a sixty foot pole with her feet dangling in the air, so she jumps from the pole and lands on joe's neck, in which manner she is carried to the safety of her young mistress' arms, (more)

Joe receiving the undying praise and thanks of Katie.

Self-introductions are exchanged between them and Cupid begins to play upon the heart strings of both handsome Joe
Hanrahan and pretty Katie Williams. But Joe's wooing is carried
on under difficulties being on night duty.

About this time, Marcel Legrand begins to pay his attentions to the sister of his promoter, and Joe feels that a young chap with Legrand's possibilities in life would be much better catch for the Pretty Katie than himself at \$145 a month. So he fights it out with himself and unhappily resigns in favor of the young hero of the hour.

Legrand and Katie are seen about together a great deal, then Katie wears a flashy solitaire and everyone takes it for granted that the wedding day is near, and that Katie has done well to land the famous boxer.

Jowever, Joe sees Legrand one day in company with a flashy brunette, who is making a public fuss over the idol, Leaning up close to him in Legrand's automobile. It doesn't strike Joe just right. He resents Katie's fiance showing such distorted taste in femininity, so he approaches Legrand at his next opportunity, telling him he isn't treating Katie right. Legrand resents this and Joe challenges him to a fight in the room back of the drugstore. Joe is greatly amused at the big bully's attitude, but takes him on and, of course, knocks him out in short order.

The bout is hushed up by "Jockey" Williams, but Jockey
sees in Joe a chance to give Legrand a good scare, for Legrand has
been dissipating and folling about to much lately, so Joe is in(more)

veigled into pulling a second fight with the champion, and in the meantime he receives a few instructions in the art of boxing.

The fight is staged. Joe has promised Legrand he would beat him up and when he did so, Legrand was to marry Katie. For the first six rounds, Legrand keeps up a steady fight, bruising Joe but not knocking him out. They take their seats in the corner for a rest and Legrand looks over to Joe with a malicious grin. It is this grin that Joe sees thru his bleary, walf-closed eyes, that sets him on the fire and makes him of the primitive king.

Joe Hanrahan, Officer of the law, knocks Marcel Legrand, light heavyweight champion, out cold and Legrand never comes to for the finish of the count. Joe has done the thing "High and Hand some". Every cop and official of the district witnessed Joe's victory

When Joe goes on duty that night at eleven ciclock,
Katie Williams opens the door of her little flat, looking for
Iris. Joe sees her and tells her that Legrand will do the right
thing by her now but he is dumbfounded to learn from Katic herself that she never loved Legrand and wouldn't marry him if he were
the last man on earth. But when Joe questions her about the ring,
Katie confesses having bought it herself for \$4.95 just to make
him jealous, but it didn't work.

Dan Malloy, the big chief, comes around the corner and finds Joe and Katie all agreed on the subject of matrimony and they make their plans to be married at the church the following morning. Dan promises the policemen's band for the wedding march and swears that every man on the beat will be there as witness, or serve double duty for a whole year.

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